

# EXHIBIT C

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Attached are Plaintiffs' Third Amended Responses to Defendant HPs First Set of Interrogatories which we had promised to serve on or before September 11, 2023 after our meet and confer conference last week.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CAROL S. MARCELLIN, Individually, and as Co-Administrator of the Estate of Charles E. Hollowell, deceased, and JESSICA HOLLOWELL-McKAY, as Co-Administrator of the Estate of Charles E. Hollowell, Deceased,

Plaintiffs,

v.

HP, INC., and STAPLES, INC.,

Defendants.

**PLAINTIFFS' THIRD AMENDED  
ANSWERS TO DEFENDANT HP'S  
FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES**

**Civ. No. 1:21-cv-00704-JLS**

Plaintiffs, by their attorneys, Faraci Lange, LLP, as their third amended responses to Defendant HP, INC.'s Interrogatories under Rule 33 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, as follows:

**GENERAL OBJECTIONS AND RESERVATIONS**

1. Plaintiffs object to the "Definitions" and "Instructions" set forth in Defendant's Interrogatories. Plaintiffs object to Defendant's Interrogatories to the extent that they seek information or documents outside the scope of discovery permissible under the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules or any Order of this Court.

2. Plaintiffs object to Defendant's Interrogatories to the extent that they seek documents or information covered by the attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine, the consulting expert privilege, or any other applicable privilege or immunity. None of Plaintiffs' responses are intended as, or should be construed as, a waiver or relinquishment of any part of the protections afforded by the attorney-client privilege, the work product doctrine, the consulting expert privilege, or any other applicable privileges or immunities. Plaintiffs reserve the right to

withdraw and recover any documents covered by such privileges or immunities if Plaintiffs inadvertently or mistakenly produces such document(s) or information in response to Defendant's Interrogatories or Requests.

3. Plaintiffs object to Defendant's Interrogatories to the extent that they contain vague or ambiguous terms or are overly broad, unduly burdensome and oppressive, and not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

4. Plaintiffs object to Defendant's Interrogatories and Requests to the extent that they seek information and documents relating to the subject matter and opinions of expert witnesses.

5. Plaintiffs reserve their rights to supplement or amend its responses to include newly found responsive information or documents.

6. These General Objections and Reservations apply to each Interrogatory as though restated in full therein.

### **INTERROGATORIES AND RESPONSES**

1. Please identify yourself by providing your full name, address, date of birth, current employer (name/address) and occupation.

**ANSWER: Carol S. Marcellin  
192 Bells Brook Road  
Ceres, NY 14721  
Retired.**

**FARACI LANGE, LLP  
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Rochester, New York 14614  
*Attorneys for Plaintiffs***

2. Identify each person whom you expect to call as an expert witness at any hearing



or trial in this matter, and describe in complete detail the subject matter on which the expert is expected to testify, the substance of the findings and opinions to which the expert is expected to testify, the grounds for each opinion, and the substance of any written report prepared by any such expert.

**ANSWER: Plaintiffs object to this demand on the ground that it seeks information that is outside the scope of F.R.Civ.P. 26. Plaintiffs have not yet determined which experts will testify at trial and will provide this information as outlined in the Second Amended Scheduling Order. Plaintiffs have previously produced all reports and other documents related to the fire and fire investigators who could be called at trial to testify that the origin of the fire was the subject laptop computer.**

3. Identify all persons (name/address) you contend have knowledge of the facts, circumstances and events surrounding the Incident, the Product and/or any damages sought by you, or who otherwise has knowledge relevant to the issues in this case. For each such witness, state what you contend is their knowledge and identify any documents concerning, involving or in any way related to your response.

**ANSWER:**

<b>Individual</b>	<b>Subject Matter</b>
Chief Brian Hemphill, Bolivar Fire Department	Witness to incident
Mark Collins, Bolivar Fire Department Phone: (585) 808-0981	Witness to incident
James Beaton, Bolivar Fire Department Phone: (716) 378-7320	Witness to incident
Anthony Greenwald, Bolivar Fire Department Phone: (315) 783-7398	Witness to incident

Jeff Luckey, Allegany County Fire Investigator  Phone: (585)-268-7650	Witness to incident
Edwards, Aderhold, Valeri All listed as FI's Responding per Allegany County Fire Service Fire Investigation Form	Witnesses to incident
Carol S. Marcellin, 192 Bells Brook Road, Ceres, NY 14721	Plaintiff, longtime companion to decedent, witness and damages witness
Jessica Hollowell-McKay, 620 Edgemere Drive, Rochester, NY 14612	Plaintiff, damages witness, decedent's daughter
Josie Hollowell, 2130 Cogburn Park Dr., Houston, Texas 77047	Damages witness, decedent's daughter
Alfred Marcellin, 1158 Promised Land Road, Olean, NY 14760	Damages witness
Olean General Hospital	Care and treatment of decedent prior to death

**Plaintiffs object to the remainder of this demand on the ground that it seeks information that is outside the scope of F.R.Civ.P. 26.**

4. Describe in complete detail all injuries, losses, expenses or damages for which you seek to recover from this defendant, including without limitation in your description of each injury, the full amount of money damages you seek and the manner in which that amount was calculated.

**ANSWER: Decedent suffered cardiorespiratory arrest and was found pulseless on the scene. EMS initiated CPR and gave 6 rounds of Epinephrine. Decedent was asystole on route to Olean General Hospital. EMS intubated decedent and noted his throat was charred black. Decedent was pulseless on arrival to Olean General Hospital. ER staff started CPR. Burn marks to decedent's nostrils were noted. CPR stopped at 5:45 am. Decedent's blood draw showed carbon monoxide level of 51.9.**

**Plaintiffs will pursue damages for Decedent's pain and suffering. Decedent was aware of the fire, was conscious, and was actively working with Carol S. Marcellin to try to get into his wheelchair so that he could escape the smoke. Decedent fell to the floor due to his health condition. Carol S. Marcellin was unable to lift him and was forced to leave him to call for help.**

**Plaintiffs will pursue all available wrongful death damages available under New York law, including, but not limited to, the pecuniary value of the loss of decedent's services and loss of guidance to the distributees. The amount of the alleged loss has not yet been calculated and will be provided through the expert testimony of an economist at the time expert reports are required by the Court.**

**There are two distributees who will claim loss of nurture and guidance, Plaintiffs Jessica Hollowell-McKay and Josie A. Hollowell.**

**A. Jessica Hollowell-McKay**

Plaintiff Jessica Hollowell-McKay will explain that decedent was and remained at the time of his death an important source of wisdom and guidance. Her father pushed her to get out of the little town of Vandalia, NY and make something of herself. He empowered her with the skill of being self-sufficient and continued to support her emotionally throughout her life until the day of his death. With his coaching and support, she moved to Rochester, NY and worked 2 jobs until she found the position that started her career. With his guidance, her career prospered.

With every important career decision she made prior to his death, she first discussed it with decedent. When she purchased her first home, and with every other important life decision she had to make, decedent was always there providing support and guidance, whether it be about continuing her education or issues involving her personal relationships.

In 2018, she had a new opportunity to elevate her career by venturing in an entirely new direction. After discussing this with decedent, he challenged her to go to London, temporarily to support a client, and which then earned her the promotion to Vice President of the COE. His advice was spot on, as it always was, and this strategy gave her the visibility and recognition from a completely different department, which landed her in her new career. Without decedent's guidance and support, it is highly unlikely she would have taken this risk. In the years prior to his death, she would visit every other weekend put him in their SUV and drive him to their old stomping grounds to reminisce, to talk about the challenges she was confronting, and he would patiently provide his guidance, wisdom, and general thoughts. In 2019, she did this this every Sunday throughout the summer. After summer, they would watch the Buffalo Bills together.

**B. Josie A. Hollowell**



Throughout his life, her father's wisdom and guidance that he lovingly provided to her was limitless! His love, care and concern were at the forefront of their relationship. Her father would bend over backwards to ensure that my sister and I had what we needed financially in order to succeed in whatever task or goal we were working on. During her early days in the military, her father continuously sent financial support to help her survive, when the military stipend was minimal. During her pursuit of her college education, decedent was again coming to the rescue to pay for tuition and books, as well as, living expenses when times were tough. During the housing crisis of 2008, when her home went into foreclosure, decedent was solely responsible for keeping her head above water, so she could get back on her feet. When she bounced back from that trying time, and was building her home, he provided hours of guidance and support through all of the myriad decisions that were required.

Decedent provided her with a role model right up to the time of his death. His compassion to those less fortunate and his love and care towards any animal, especially a wounded animal, has developed her into a person who serves and gives back. After serving 23-years in the Navy, which the decedent encouraged, she is currently employed as a forensic toxicologist in Houston, TX, where she also is serving her community. She was encouraged by her father's example by volunteering at various homeless shelters and going on mission trips to build water wells and give medical help to those less fortunate in the world.

Decedent's love for God was instrumental in nurturing her own. She keeps his bible and finds herself turning the pages, feverishly searching for his handwritten notes, just to have a little piece of him next to her-hoping to replace the advice and solace that he would frequently give regarding the problems she faces in life.

**If she chooses someday to marry, she will never have the benefit of her dad accompanying her down the aisle, as he was able to do with her sister.**

5. Describe in complete detail the manner in which you contend the Incident occurred, including without limitation in your description the initial source of ignition for the Incident and its exact location and identify any documents concerning, involving or in any way related to your response.

**ANSWER: The fire occurred on January 24, 2020, at Carol Bell-Marcellin's ("Carol") house located at 192 Bell's Brook Road in Ceres, New York. Carol lived at the house with her long-time companion, Charles Hollowell ("Charles"). Charles was disabled and used a wheelchair to ambulate. On the evening of January 23, 2020, Carol was updating the anti-virus software on her HP Pavilion Series laptop located in her office. The anti-virus updates for the laptop were still downloading when Carol went to sleep. The next morning at approximately 4:00 a.m., Carol woke up to the sound of the smoke detector alarm. She got up to investigate and could smell smoke. She could see smoke coming from the office. When she got to the office, she saw flames, smoke, and splatter of flaming pieces coming out of the HP laptop that is the subject of this lawsuit. Carol tried to put the fire out with a fire extinguisher, but it was unsuccessful. She then went to the bedroom to try to get Charles out of the house. Charles was in the Master Bedroom on the north side of the house, laying on the bed with his feet touching the floor. Carol attempted to get Charles into his wheelchair, but he fell to the floor due to his health condition. Charles was conscious, aware of the fire and the need to get out of the house, but once he fell, Carol could not lift him and he could not get off of the floor himself. Carol tried several times to lift Charles from the floor to his wheelchair but was forced to flee the house, without her cell phone, when the smoke became too intense.**

Carol attempted to call ONSTAR from her car, but had to drive down the road to get a signal. The fire department received the ONSTAR call at 4:15 AM. The Allegany County Fire Investigation Team responded to the scene. Charles was found in the Master Bedroom with no pulse. First responders removed Charles to the garage and started CPR. Charles was transported to Olean General Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Charles' Death Certificate lists inhalation of products of combustion as his cause of death.

The following documents have been previously sent via *Sharefile* on October 15, 2021:

- A) Allegany County Fire Service Fire Investigation Form
- B) Allegany County Photo Logs
- C) Jeff Luckey notes taken after interview with Carol Marcellin in ER
- D) Police call information
- E) Fire Investigation drawings
- F) Mark Collins statement / notes
- G) James Beaton statement / notes
- H) Anthony Greenwald statement / notes

6. Please identify all electrical items (by type, make, model) including all consumer electronic products and appliances in the room where you contend the fire started.

**ANSWER: Plaintiffs refer defendant to the documents previously sent via *Sharefile* on October 15, 2021.**

7. Please identify all persons on the Property within twenty-four hours of the Incident and, as to each, state their name, address and whether they are known to be a smoker.

**ANSWER: Carol S. Marcellin and Charles E. Hollowell were the only people on the Property during the 24-hour period prior to the Incident. Neither of them smoked.**

8. Please describe in full and complete detail any and all injuries you claim to have sustained as a result of the Incident, stating which, if any, will be permanent. If you have recovered from a particular injury, please state the approximate date on which you recovered.



**ANSWER: See response 4.**

9. Did you or the plaintiffs' decedent receive medical treatment for injuries sustained as a result of the Incident? If your answer is in the affirmative, please provide the following information:

- a. The name and address of any and all persons or institutions from which you or plaintiffs' decedent received medical or other treatment for such injuries;
- b. The approximate number of treatments received, setting forth as accurately as possible the dates of such treatments and the treating institution or person; and
- c. An itemized account of all expenses incurred for such treatment, setting forth which expenses have been paid by plaintiffs' decedent and which have not been paid by you or plaintiffs' decedent.

**ANSWER: The medical providers that treated include:**

- a. **Allegany Fire Department  
186 W. Main St.  
Allegany, New York 14706**

**Olean General Hospital  
515 Main St.  
Olean, NY 14760**

- b. **See response 5.**
- c. **Upon information and belief, decedent's medical expenses were primarily covered by Medicare AB with secondary insurance coverage through Independent Health. No lien information has been located and no claims are being made for medical expenses. This response will be updated if any lien information becomes available.**

10. Describe in complete detail how you purchased or otherwise came into possession of the Product (including any and all component parts or accessories thereof) at issue in this case, including without limitation in your description the identity and address of the person from whom you purchased or obtained the Product, the consideration or purchase price you paid for the Product, when you purchased or first obtained the Product, any accessories, parts manuals, instructions, worksheets, warranties, warnings or other materials

or documents that accompanied the Product, any representations you contend were made by this defendant that you relied upon in the purchasing or otherwise obtaining the Product, and identify any documents concerning, involving or in any way related to your response.

**ANSWER: Carol Marcellin purchased the Product from Staples, Inc. located at 2735 West State Street, Olean, New York 14760. Upon information and belief, the Product was originally sold by HP in or about March 2011 based on warranty information obtained from running the laptop's serial number. The product was purchased by Plaintiff Carol Marcellin from Defendant Staples in or about 2015. Any documents that came with the Product and all credit card records kept by Plaintiff Carol Marcellin as well as the hard drive on the laptop were destroyed in the fire. No responsive documents, electronic or otherwise, concerning the purchase, have been located despite a search of all contemporaneous records. Ms. Marcellin does not recall the exact purchase price of the Product, but believes it was less than \$300. Attached via *Sharefile* is the manufacturer and warranty information for the Product [previously produced].**

11. In Paragraph 13 of your Complaint, you allege that the plaintiffs' decedent was physically disabled and was unable to exit the burning building. Please identify all disabilities and other health related issues suffered by the plaintiff in the ten (10) years preceding the

Incident that and state whether plaintiffs' decedent receive medical treatment for those issues in the ten (10) years preceding the Incident. If your answer is in the affirmative, please provide the following information:

- a. The name and address of any and all persons or institutions from which plaintiffs' decedent received medical or other treatment for such health issues; and
- b. The approximate number of treatments received, setting forth as accurately as possible the dates of such treatments and the treating institution or person.

**ANSWER: Charles Hollowell was disabled at the time of the incident. Mr. Hollowell became disabled after he fell and broke his spine while working for the post office in or about November/December 2000. Decedent was diagnosed with dementia prior to his death. This condition mostly affected his short-term memory but did not disrupt his general cognitive abilities in other ways. He also was treated for hypertension, which was well controlled. He had lingering symptoms from wounds he suffered in the Vietnam War that caused some pain and discomfort throughout his life. Charles Hollowell received treatment from Bath VA Medical Center and Universal Primary Care. Authorizations for defense counsel to obtain the decedent's medical records from all of his providers who evaluated and treated him for any of these conditions in the ten years prior to the Incident have previously been provided via Sharefile.**

12. Please state whether the Product (including any and all component parts or accessories thereof) was maintained, modified, altered, serviced, repaired, damaged or otherwise changed from its original condition from the time it allegedly left the possession or control of the defendant until the time it was sold to you, including but not limited to by Staples, Inc., and, if so, please describe how it was maintained, modified, altered, serviced, damaged, repaired or otherwise changed, when and by whom.

**ANSWER:** Upon information and belief, based upon information gained through Plaintiffs' attorneys, the laptop was purchased from Staples in 2015 as a refurbished computer. Plaintiff Carol Marcellin did not provide or cause to be provided any maintenance, modification, alteration, service, repair, damage or other changes to the Product after she purchased it from Staples. Upon information and belief, the subject computer was altered by someone, through replacement of the battery, after HP manufactured it and before Plaintiff Carol Marcellin purchased it from Staples. Upon information and belief, the replacement battery was installed by whatever person or entity refurbished the computer for Defendant Staples. Plaintiffs have served discovery requests upon Staples requesting this information which have not been answered.

13. Please state whether the Product (including any and all component parts or accessories thereof) was maintained, modified, altered, serviced, repaired, damaged or otherwise changed from its original condition from the time it allegedly left the possession or control of the defendant until the time of the Incident, including but not limited to by you and/or Staples, Inc., and, if so, please describe how it was maintained, modified, altered, serviced, damaged, repaired or otherwise changed, when and by whom.

**ANSWER:** See response 12. Plaintiff Carol Marcellin did not replace any of the component parts of the laptop, including the battery, after her purchase of the laptop from Staples.

14. Do you contend there was a design defect with respect to the Product (including any and all component parts or accessories thereof)? If so, please describe said design defect in detail and state what you contend would be the appropriate alternative design including all facts supporting that such was feasible.

**ANSWER:** Plaintiffs object to this demand on the ground that it seeks information



that is outside the scope of F.R.Civ.P. 26. Plaintiffs have not yet determined which experts will testify at trial and will provide this information as outlined in the Second Amended Scheduling Order.

Without waiver of this objection, Plaintiffs contend there was a design defect in the Product. The battery that was in the laptop at the time of the fire lacked all of the necessary connections and devices to prevent it from overcharging, and therefore overheating. Plaintiffs allege that the Subject Laptop should have been designed in a manner that if all of these protective circuits were not connected or were not present in the battery pack, the laptop should not have been able to function. Furthermore, the Subject Laptop should have included an on-screen warning indicating to users that the battery pack installed was not an HP approved battery pack and critical safety features of the battery pack may not have been connected or may not be present, increasing the fire hazard.

Plaintiffs further allege that the Subject laptop was defectively designed because it was known that its useful life exceeded the useful life of the original battery. This meant that it was a virtual certainty that a battery replacement would be needed. This laptop was defectively designed because it functioned using replacement batteries that lacked the proper protective circuits to prevent overcharging, overheating, and possible fires.

Discovery is ongoing in this matter and so plaintiffs will supplement this Answer when discovery has been produced and depositions have been conducted.

15. Do you contend there was a manufacturing defect with respect to the Product (including any and all component parts or accessories thereof)? If so, please describe said manufacturing defect in detail, when/where it occurred and state what you contend would be the correct way to manufacture the Product so as to have avoid that defect.

**ANSWER: Plaintiffs are not asserting a manufacturing defect claim against Defendant HP. Plaintiffs may seek leave to amend to assert a manufacturing defect claim against Staples after requested discovery is produced.**

16. Do you contend that the battery pack/cells in the Product at the time of the Incident were original to the Product? If so, please state all facts upon which you rely in support of your position. Please include in your answer who you contend are the manufacturer of those battery pack/cells.

**ANSWER: Upon information and belief, from information gained through their attorneys and through discovery to date, Plaintiffs believe the battery pack in the laptop at the time Plaintiff Carol Marcellin purchased it from Staples and that was in the laptop at the time of the fire was not the original battery pack sold with the laptop by HP. This is based on findings made through the investigation after the fire, including markings on the battery pack and the lack of connections on the battery pack to important safety functions, which, upon information and belief, were present in the original battery supplied by HP with the laptop. This answer is also based upon the testimony of Lee Atkinson, the witness produced by Defendant HP in response to Plaintiff's Notice to HP pursuant to Rule 30(b)(6). See also responses 12 and 13.**

17. Please identify all person who inspected/investigated the Property where the incident is alleged to occur on your behalf and state the date and times of said work.

**ANSWER: See response 3. Plaintiffs also refer you to the documents sent via Sharefile on October 15, 2021.**

18. Please state all dates and times when any expert acting on your behalf examined, inspected, tested or otherwise reviewed the Product (including any and all components part of accessories thereof). As to each occasion, please state with specificity what they did.

**ANSWER: Plaintiffs object to this demand on the ground that it seeks information**

**that is outside the scope of F.R.Civ.P. 26. Plaintiffs have not yet determined which experts will testify at trial and will provide this information as outlined in the Second Amended Scheduling Order.**

19. Did you have any problems or issues with the Product prior to the Incident? If so, please state what those were, when you experienced them and what you did to correct or fix them, if anything.

**ANSWER: Plaintiff Carol Marcellin did not have any problems or issues with the Product prior to the Incident.**

20. Please identify in detail all witnesses you intend to call at the time of trial including name(s), residential address(es), business address(es) and date(s) of birth.

**ANSWER: See response 3.**

21. With respect to any and all communications between you and any agent or representative of defendant regarding the Incident or your injuries, please describe fully and in complete detail the date, time, place and identity of all persons, whether the communication was oral or written, and state the substance of the communication.

**ANSWER: Plaintiffs have had no contact with any HP representatives.**

22. Do any plaintiffs anticipate the need for future medical treatment for the injuries you allegedly sustained as a result of the Incident? If your answer is in the affirmative, please provide the following information:

- a. the injury for which you require future medical treatment;
- b. The type of treatment that will be required;
- c. The approximate date on which you will undergo such future medical treatment;
- d. The reason for the future medical treatment; and
- e. The name and address of the physician or medical professional who will be providing the future medical treatment.

**ANSWER: Plaintiff Carol Marcellin does not anticipate further treatment at this time.**



23. Are you claiming lost income or lost earning capacity as a result of the Incident? If your answer is anything other than an unqualified " no," please state as accurately as possible:

- a. The dates during which you were incapacitated from working;
- b. The average weekly income received by you in the three years prior to the Incident; and
- c. The amount of financial loss suffered by you as a result of your lost time from work.
- d. What you contend your future lost earnings will be.

**ANSWER: No. See response 5.**

24. Please state all facts upon which you base your contention that the fire at issue was caused in whole or in part by defendant.

**ANSWER: See response 5 All fire investigators have determined the source of the fire was the subject Laptop computer battery pack based upon the physical evidence collected at the scene as detailed in the various reports previously provided by via Sharefile on October 15, 2021.**

25. Please state the location of any and all physical evidence related to the cause of the fire that you, or anyone acting on your behalf, is in possession of and where it is currently located.

**ANSWER: The Subject Laptop and battery pack are currently in the possession of Fire Research & Technology.**

26. Please identify all of your account credential(s) for Amazon.com, eBay.com, Staples.com, and any other online seller and for each account credential, please identify any purchases made in the preceding ten (10) years involving or related to computer equipment or any component parts thereof.

**ANSWER: Plaintiffs object to this demand on the ground that it seeks information that is outside the scope of F.R.Civ.P. 26. Carol Marcellin recalls the following computer**

purchases in the preceding ten (10) years: the Product, an HP laptop purchased in December 2019, and a replacement battery for the Compaq laptop. The Compaq laptop utilized prior to her purchase of the subject laptop was purchased sometime in the 1990's and was utilized until the subject laptop was purchased. Thereafter, it was stored in a closet in the room where the fire occurred and was destroyed in that fire. Plaintiffs' counsel will coordinate with HP's counsel for exchange of all account information, passwords known to Plaintiffs, and a window of time to review accounts, after which Plaintiff Carol Marcellin will change her passwords.

27. Please identify any fire, building or medical safety systems present at the Property as of the day of the Incident including smoke detectors or alarm systems or medical alert systems.

**ANSWER: A smoke detector alarm was located in the hallway of the Property and was identified by the Allegany County Fire Service in their Fire Investigation Photo Log. This document was previously provided to you via Sharefile.**

28. Please state whether any changes, modifications or additions were made to the Property in the ten (10) years preceding the Incident and, as to each, please state what was done, who did the work and when it was completed.

**ANSWER: Plaintiffs object to this demand on the ground that it seeks information that is outside the scope of F.R.Civ.P. 26. Without waiving this objection, Plaintiff Carol Marcellin and decedent had a new furnace installed in the late summer of 2019. The furnace was manufactured by Miller Nordyne (now known as Nordic Global). It was installed by Roger Hartzell, an employee of Owl Homes of Allegany, NY.**

29. Please state whether there were any fires at the Property for the ten (10) years prior to the Incident and, if so, describe what happened, when it happened and what was the alleged cause.

**ANSWER: There were no fires at the Property prior to the Incident.**

DATED: September 1, 2023  
Rochester, New York

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**VERIFICATION**

JESSICA HOLLOWELL-MCKAY, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. Deponent is a Plaintiff in the above captioned matter; and
2. Deponent has read the foregoing Third Amended Response to Defendant HP, Inc.'s First Set of Interrogatories to Plaintiffs and knows the content thereof ;
3. That the same is true of deponent' s own knowledge , except as to matter therein stated to be alleged on information and belief , and that as to those matter deponent believes it to be true.

  
JESSICA HOLLOWELL-McKAY

Sworn to this 7<sup>th</sup>  
day of September, 2023

  
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Notary Public, State of New York  
Qualified in Monroe County  
Commission Expires Jan.27,2027